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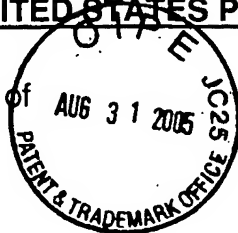
In re Patent Application of

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GANGLIOSIDE GD3 AND DERIVATIVE OF ANTIBODY AGAINST GANGLIOSIDE
GD3



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REQUEST

Clarification is requested with regard to the PTO 1449 Form returned with the Office Action of August 22, 2005, and specifically with regard to the Examiner's initialing and lining-through the listed Nakamura et al (CANCER Supplement, 1997, Vol. 80, No. 12, pp 2650-2655.

A review of the Patent Office PAIR IFW confirms that the reference was received by the Patent Office and is available to the Examiner. The Examiner is requested to confirm that the reference has been considered.

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